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A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU AND A MOST HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR! It is a time of gratification for all of us at your State Library, for our move to Helena is now completed and we are ready for business! The staff has accomplished miracles of efficiency and organization - plus a tremendous amount of hard labor - to expand into the delightfully spacious new quarters. A world of thanks and appreciation go to every one of them.

NOTE OUR NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER ON OUR MASTHEAD. We are on the capital exchange so it is necessary to remember to dial 442-3260 and to ask for the Montana State Library, extension 304. Call us for your urgent needs, soon and often.

MEET THE NEW STAFF MEMBERS AT THE STATE LIBRARY: Patrick Kelleher, Business Office Manager; Ella Mae Winfield, Senior Secretary; Margaret Hunter, Bookkeeper-Secretary; Joan Jezick, Clerk-Typist; Edith Longmaid, Clerk-Typist; George Smith, Clerk and George Blank, maintenance. We say a fond farewell to Florence Elliott, Pat Flachsenhar, Darlene Crepeau, Madeline Watson, Terry Murray and Bob Ellis and again a warm thanks for splendid work. We are immensely fortunate in having three of the professional staff who are commuting between Missoula and Helena to assist in training the new people: Barbara Houghton, Florena Vinal and Mary Ellis.

GOOD READING, a U. S. Jaycee national program, was introduced to 5700 chapters this fall and Montana's State President, Jim W. Bailey of Hamilton, received his packet of materials. The Good Reading project grew out of the concern by the Jaycees that school and public library services were inadequate in many communities and that opportunities to buy good children's books for home libraries are often non-existent. The Jaycee packet contains guidelines, sample news releases and radio scripts, booklists and suggestions for local action.

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ASSISTS: a new publication, "The School Librarian and the Partially Blind" is available singly or in quantities up to 100 at no charge from the American Association of School Librarians at ALA headquarters in Chicago. This brochure describes the partially seeing blind and outlines the role of the librarian in working with these youngsters. "What to do before the censor comes -- and after" is a reprint from the September ALA Newsletter on Intellectual Freedom. Copies may be purchased at \$3.00 per hundred; single copies 10¢; cash should be sent with the order to the Editor at 48 Arlington Avenue, Kensington, California. The ALA Office of Recruitment has issued a new booklet, "The Public Librarian" which outlines the variety of positions open in librarianship, in business, art, chemistry, history, and other subject areas. Up to 25 copies may be obtained free of charge. The revised edition of the National Inventory of Library Needs may be obtained from ALA's Publishing Department for \$2.00 per copy. This Inventory is basic information for all libraries and assesses the library of today in terms of staff needs, operating expenses and book collections. CHOICE, the monthly publication of the Association of College and Research Libraries, which contains books for college libraries has a new feature. With the September issue and running in four parts is a list of the basic books for any new college, junior college and good high school libraries.

"LIBRARIANS GUIDE TO SCOUTING" is the answer to frantic calls for help from local troop leaders. It develops monthly themes and offers program ideas for Cub Packs, Boy Scout Troops and Explorer groups. Write to Mr. John L. Shutt, Boy Scouts of America, New Brunswick, New Jersey, 08903.



PIRACY AMONG THE HOBBITS - Hobbit fanciers should be informed that an unauthorized paperback edition of Tolkien's LORD OF THE RINGS trilogy is currently on the market. The only paperback edition which has Professor Tolkien's approval (and on which he is being paid royalties) is the one published by Ballantine Books. (The hardcover editions are Houghton-Mifflin Company). Ballantine has also just brought out an authorized (and royalty-paying) edition of the HOBBIT. So if you must have the paperback edition, buy Ballantine and protect the author's rights.

MRS. ALMA S. JACOBS, Librarian of the Great Falls Public Library, was appointed by Governor Babcock to the 12 member Governors' Commission on the Status of Women. December 17th will be the first meeting date for the group which will explore on a statewide basis the economic, social, political and legal problems of women.

THE WHITEFISH LIBRARY ASSOCIATION is sponsoring the sale of a book by Mary (Gray) Mooers, now deceased and sister of Victor Gray of Whitefish. The book is called, Westward-wagon-wheels. Libraries may order copies of this from the Whitefish Public Library for \$1.50 per copy while they last. The book is no longer available and originally sold at \$3.00.

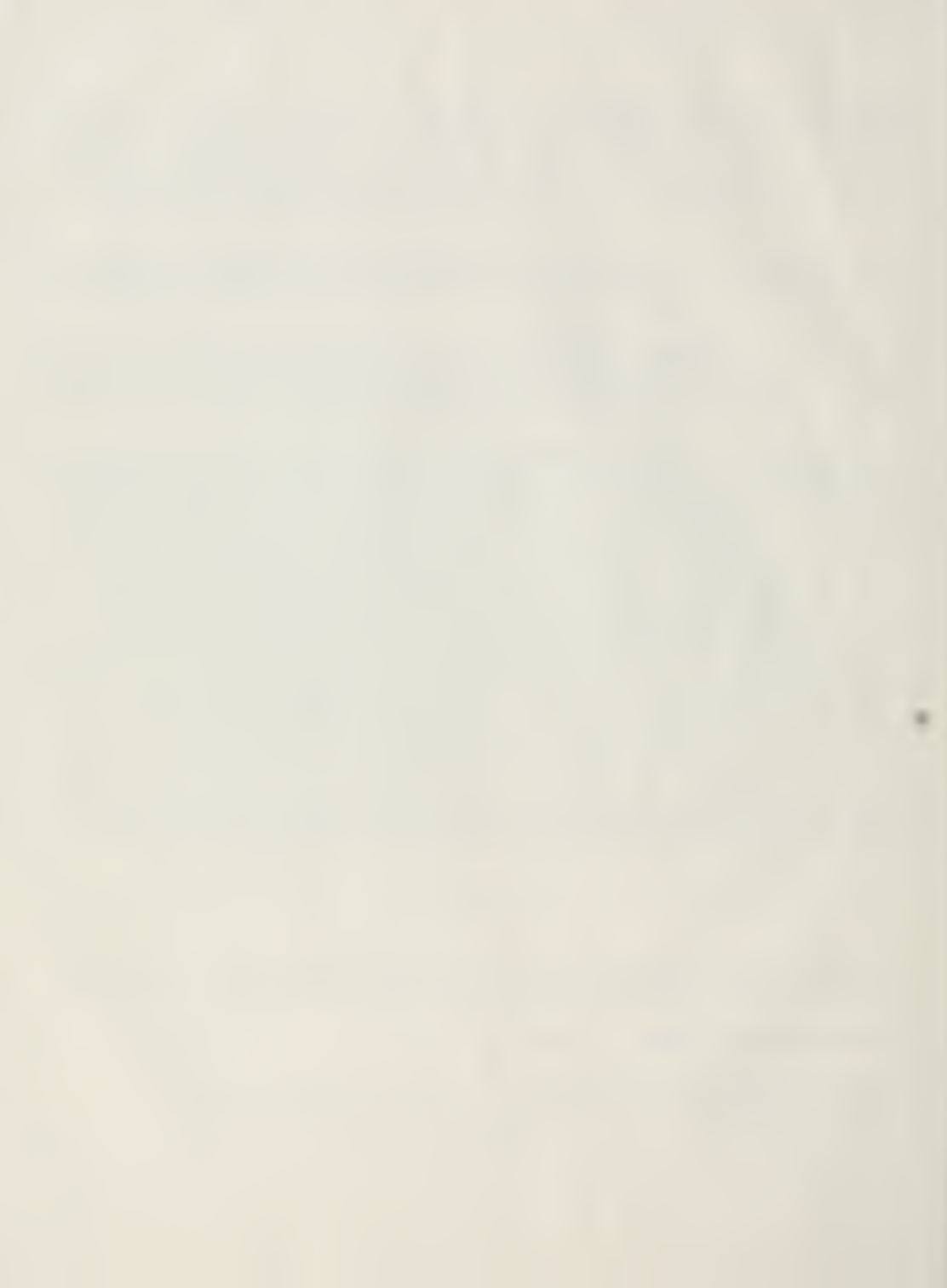
MONTANIANA: The American Heritage's beautiful volume of colored photographs, History of the great west, which chronicles America's westward movement is available from that publishing firm for \$16.50. That Calahan spunk! is an entertaining novel of a courageous New England family who move to Montana in 1908 to try farming. The author, Francis Ames, resides in Oregon and the book is published by Doubleday for \$4.50. J. B. Armstrong, the old-time cowman from Missoula, has written the second book of a trilogy, Big north, which is dedicated to Charles M. Russell. It accents the life of a young cowboy as it was lived on the Mill Iron ranch and may be obtained from the University of Montana Press for \$3.00. A vendetta between the Crow and the Blackfeet Indians takes place in Vardis Fisher's Mountain man, Morrow, \$5.95. All the western states are wonderfully photographed in Ghost town treasures by Lambert Florin. The Superior Publishing Company of Seattle is the vendor, priced at \$10.50. Military strategists will be fascinated with Bruce Grant's American forts yesterday and today. This definitive account covers 1200 forts with illustrations, Dutton, \$5.95. Annabel and Edgar Johnson have written a new juvenile, Peculiar magic, Houghton, \$3.25. They use old diaries, newspapers and journals of early mining days to re-create the atmosphere. Richard D. Warden is Senator Lee Metcalf's biographer in Metcalf of Montana. The book contains a foreword by Senator Paul H. Douglas of Illinois and shows the workings of America's law making machinery, who the senators are and how Montana's junior senator informs himself. It is published by Acropolis Books, Division of Colortone Press, Washington, D. C., 20009, for \$4.00. Wanderers eastward, wanderers west, published by Random House for \$7.95 is Kathleen Windsor's story about the post-Civil War expansion of the Montana Territory from a handful of mining camps into a State.

GET WITH 1966 !

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, Midwinter Conference, Chicago, January 24-28, 1966

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK, April 17-23, 1966

MONTANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION Conference, Missoula, May 13-14, 1966





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MONTANA LIBRARIES - Our January issue will be combined with the April issue. The delay is occasioned because of the rigors of moving.

RICK O'SHAY'S CREATOR, STAN LYNDE OF BILLINGS, will make National Library Week in Montana truly memorable this year. He has designed a most appealing drawing from his comic strip which will appear on many of Montana's NLW materials. Howard C. Porter, State Committee Chairman, held an organizational meeting with members of the State Committee in Billings, January 7th, to make big plans for the Week, April 17-23, 1966. Librarians! Now is the time to form your local committees to be ready for the Week's activities. Suggestions and ideas for community participation will soon be forthcoming from the state group.

THE MONTANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION BOARD met at the State Library in Helena, Saturday, January 8th, to plan the program for the May 13-14, 1966, conference in Missoula. Present were: Mrs. Lucille Anderson, President; Mrs. Margaret Camm, Vice-President; Mrs. Alma Jacobs, PNLA Representative; Mrs. Clare Smith, ALA Councilor; Mrs. H. D. Harlowe, Chairman of the Trustees and Friends Division; Mrs. Elizabeth Little, Chairman of the School Library Association; Mrs. Adelaine Midgett, Chairman of the College and Research Librarians; Mrs. Mabel Brewer, Conference Chairman; and Mrs. Ruth O. Longworth, State Librarian. The Board decided on a program on library buildings for the Friday meeting to include public, school, college and university libraries. Saturday will be concerned with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. Joseph F. Shubert, Assistant Director for the International Relations Office of the American Library Association, will be the featured banquet speaker with Meridan Bennett, Consultant for the Peace Corps, as Master of Ceremonies. Mary Helen Mahar, School Library Specialist from the Library Services Branch, has been invited to participate in meetings on both days.

LIBRARY BUILDINGS IN BOTH SIDNEY AND GLASGOW are now nearing completion. The Montana State Library will soon send Sidney its fourth LSCA payment and the second and third payments to Glasgow - a total of \$26,780.00.

MIDWINTER BOUND - Montana librarians attending the American Library Association's Midwinter meeting in Chicago, January 24-28, 1966 are: Mrs. Alma Jacobs, Great Falls Librarian and member of the Executive Board; Mrs. Ruth O. Longworth, ALA Council member; and Mrs. Letitia Johnson, Librarian of Sentinel High School, who is a member of the National Library Week Committee of the American Association of School Librarians.

CHRISTMAS IN COLUMBIA FALLS President J. G. Edmiston of the Bank of Columbia Falls presented Librarian, Mrs. Clarence Connor, with a check to purchase a 24 volume set of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. Mrs. Connor commented, "We've been wanting a modern Britannica set for years."

MONTANIANA: Valley of the upper Yellowstone by Charles W. Cook covers the Cook-Folsom-Peterson expedition of 1869. This is number 47 of the American Exploration and Travel Series published by the University of Oklahoma Press for \$3.75. A limited re-issue of Fred Dustin's Custer tragedy is available from the Fra-Len Sales, P. O. Box 1406, Saginaw, Michigan, 48605, for \$10.00. Ronald J. Iverson of Belgrade has written a history of Belgrade and the Gallatin Valley called, Princess of the prairie. It may be obtained from the author, Box 247, Belgrade, or the McGill Museum in Bozeman for \$3.25.





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NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK BROCHURES GALORE carrying the tidings that in Montana "He who loves reading, has everything within his reach" are available by writing to the State Library at 930 East Lyndale Avenue, Helena, 59601. Already requests are streaming in for these captivating RICK O'SHAY folders.

VARIATIONS ON THE BOZEMAN MSU SCENE - As of March 1st, Associate Librarian, Marjorie Vivian will become Head Cataloger at Western Michigan University Library in Kalamazoo; on July 1st, Associate Librarian, Alice McClain of Pocatello's Idaho State University Library will be the Associate Director of Libraries at the University in Bozeman; and Mrs. Lucille Thompson assumes the position of Acting Head of Reference.

MARGARET WARDEN, CHAIRMAN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE of the Montana Library Association has sent forth a clarion call asking for full support for the continuation of the Library Services and Construction Act. Much has happened in Montana as a result of this legislation and much remains to be done. The Perkins bill extends and amends the Act and its number is H. R. 12133.

THEIR COURSE IS OVER - Congratulations to the 10 librarians who have completed a year's study on Library Science 208, Public Library Service, given by Loyola University under the direction of Joseph Shubert, Assistant Director of the American Library Association International Relations Office. The course was based on the ALA, Small Library Project Pamphlets and covered every phase of library operation. Attractive certificates will be given to each of these persevering students at the Montana Library Association conference in Missoula at the luncheon on Saturday, May 14, 1966.

NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION ACT INSTITUTE ON LIBRARIANSHIP - an eight week session will be held at the University of Oregon in Eugene from June 20-August 13, 1966. Representatives from Montana school libraries have been cordially invited to attend these sessions says Librarian, Phyllis Ley Dalton of the Helena Junior High School. For details write to: Mrs. Margaret Lane, Director of NDEA Librarianship Institute, University of Oregon, Eugene.

MONTANIANA: Will Henry's Last warpath is a novel which concentrates on the Cheyenne tribes and uses authentic material as background. It is published by Random House, \$4.95, 1966. Death of the Kapowsin tavern by Richard Hugo is a book of poems. Mr. Hugo is an English instructor at the University of Montana who received the Pacific Northwest Bookseller's Award for poetry; Harcourt, \$3.95. Chief Joseph and the great 1,700 mile retreat is the subject of Alvin M. Josephy's, Nez Perce Indians and the opening of the northwest; Yale University Press, \$12.50. Red Cloud and the Sioux problem by James C. Olson is a fine study of this chief's successful war with the government's abandonment of the Bozeman Trail to the Montana gold fields; University of Nebraska Press, \$5.95. Helena Huntington Smith has written the story of the cattle bonanza along the Powder River in War on the Powder River, McGraw, \$8.95. Lame Captain: the life and adventures of Pegleg Smith by Sardis W. Templeton tells the tale of the reckless mountaineer who maintained a trading post at Big Timber; Westernlore Press, Los Angeles, \$7.50. Mrs. Mary Witherup of Billings is the author of Outsize, a portrait of a girl and her life in the west; Carlton Press, \$3.00. Ancient Russia is a book for young people by Professor Melvin C. Wren of the University of Montana; Day, \$3.29.

KEEP THESE DATES ON TOTAL RECALL!

MONTANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE, Missoula, May 13-14, 1966





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MONTANA NEWSLETTER wears a new heading for this month - a final reminder to everyone in the state to join the little boy on the horse in an all-out participation in THE WEEK.

LINCOLN COUNTY AND LIBBY'S LIBRARIAN, MRS. ROBERT HERRIG, makes the headlines again! Inez has been selected by the Montana Education Association's Board of Directors to receive the "Golden Apple Award" for 1966 for "outstanding leadership in developing informed and active citizens." She will be so honored at the delegate assembly banquet on Friday, March 25th., in Helena. You may also find her featured in the February-March issue of **PACIFIC POWERLAND** in photographs and prose for her devotion and development of that new library since 1929.

SCRAPBOOKS-ARE-A-COMING - Mrs. Jeane Sturdivant, Publicity Chairman for the Montana Library Association asks that librarians bring their scrapbooks and publicity material to the Missoula conference, May 13-14, so that every one may inspect them. If this is not possible, do mail them to Mrs. Sturdivant at the Carnegie Public Library in Kalispell and she will see that they are displayed.

1966 FAMILY LIFE CONFERENCES are scheduled for the week of March 21-26, with Dr. Theodore Johannis, Family Sociologist, from the University of Oregon as guest speaker in Lewistown, Missoula and Red Lodge. The themes of the three conferences will be: "Valuing human relationships;" "Family responsibility vs. social pressure;" and "Teens today - Adults tomorrow."

NOW IT CAN BE TOLD - The Newbery and Caldecott Awards for the most distinguished children's books published in 1965 are: John Newbery medal for American literature for children to Elizabeth Borten de Trevino for the biographical novel, I, Juan de Pareja (Farrar & Straus); and the Randolph J. Caldecott medal for the American picture book to Monny Hogrogian, illustrator of Always Room for One More (Holt-Rinehart). Runners-up for the awards were: Newbery medal, Lloyd Alexander, The Black Cauldron (Holt Rinehart); Randall Jarrell, The Animal Family (Pantheon); and Mary Stolz, The Noonday Friends (Harper & Row). Runners-up for the Caldecott medal: Roger Duvoisin, Hide and Seek Fog, by Alvin Tresselt (Lothrop-Lee); Marie Hall Ets, Just Me (Viking Press); and Evaline Ness, Tom Tit Tot (Charles Scribner's Sons).

MESSAGE FROM MARGARET CAMM - Will borrowers from the Montana State Library in Helena please wrap your packages firmly with string all the way around. Some returned book cartons have been arriving with open ends and loose books. Many thanks for your extra efforts.

MONTANIANA: April is the publishing date for Virginia Weisel Johnson's Long, long trail, Houghton \$3.95. This is the chronicle of a 3rd and 4th generation family making its way in the Montana territory. The League of Women Voters of Billings has published an attractive booklet about the services of city government, called Facts about Billings. These may be purchased from: Mrs. Richard Blythe, Publications Chairman, 2126 N. Place, Billings, 59102, for .50¢ each. Copies are also available at bulk prices. Helena author, Jean Moore has written Treasure state treasure tales, available from the Academy Guild Library for \$2.95. Don't push my trees around by Mrs. Marion S. O'Neal is available from the Greenwich Book Publishers, 222 7th. Avenue, New York, 10001, \$3.75. Mrs. O'Neal was married in Kalispell and ranched near Libby.

SPECIALLY FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIANS is the enclosed report sheet with six ideas for presenting National Library Week. The counter side of the announcement should be filled in and returned to the Executive Director, Mrs. Barbara Houghton, 930 E. Lyndale Avenue, Helena, by May 2, 1966.

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MISSOULA CALLING MLA to the annual conference on May 13th and 14th. The excellent program this year will be two-pronged; the first day will be devoted to "Design For Beauty" with many of the State architects taking part, and the second session will be concerned with "The New Legislation and School Libraries." Do plan to attend.

LBJ SALUTES NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK with a telegram calling libraries "the bed-rock of education for all citizens", and a safeguard of democracy. President Johnson urged a redoubling of "our efforts to bring the excellency of books and the benefit of knowledge to more and more Americans." Governor Tim Babcock proclaims April 17-23 as Library Week with the words "Books and Librarians and the will to use them are the most important tools our nation has to diffuse knowledge and to develop our powers of creative wisdom." \$1,000 for the third time is being awarded by Grolier to the state library association sponsoring the most effective statewide library week program and the winners will be announced in July during the ALA annual conference in New York.

One last reminder to all of you: Please send in your local committees for National Library Week! We want you included in the printed list in Montana Libraries.

HOOTENANY AND A CONVENTION for the Montana Student Librarians Association Members. This will be held on April 22-23 in Missoula.

THE AURIANNE AWARD has been given to Wilson Gage, author of Big Blue Island, published by World Publishing Co. at \$3.50. This award of \$200 is given by the American Library Association for the best children's book on animal life which develops a humane attitude.

GOOD NEWS! Alene Cooper has joined the staff of the State Library as Administrative Assistant. We are also pleased to announce that Florena Vinal will move to Helena and continue her fine services.

MONTANIANA: Smokejumpers, by Randle M. Hurst has been published by Caxton for \$5.00. Mr. Randle, who lives in Missoula, writes about the work of smokejumper crews, and describes the smokejumping center at Missoula. Montana Department of Fish and Game has written a State wide outdoor recreational plan which is not available for purchase, but can be borrowed from the State Library. The plan provides guidance in the development of Montana's present and future outdoor recreation program. Margaret Scherf's article One Cow, One Vote which appears in the April, 1966 issue of Harper's Magazine gives a lively description of the 1965 Montana Legislature. A Manual for Real Estate Brokers and Salesmen has been compiled by the Montana Real Estate Commission, Helena and may be obtained for \$5.00. The League of Women Voters of Montana has published a pamphlet, Selected Problems of State and Local Government in Montana which can be ordered through the League of Women Voters of Montana, 1801 4th Avenue N., Great Falls for 30¢. The League has available maps showing the new apportionment of the Montana Legislature which are 10¢.

MAY AS SENIOR CITIZENS MONTH will be proclaimed by the President for the fourth consecutive year.

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE JULY 10-16 - NEW YORK





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HEADLINE NEWS The House of Representatives passed the new Library Services and Construction Act by a sweeping vote of 336 to 2 on June 2nd. Not only does the act provide additional funds for services and construction, but two new titles: one for interlibrary cooperation, and one for services to state institutions and the handicapped. Favorable action by the Senate is expected soon.

BACK TO SCHOOL for Mrs. Mabel Brewer, who is the recipient of a \$5,000 scholarship granted by the Montana State Library Commission. Mrs. Brewer is resigning from the State Library, and will enroll in library school at the University of Washington this summer.

A NEW LIBRARY IN WOLF POINT is now assured with the approval of construction by the Montana State Library Commission. The building will be started in the very near future.

MORE SCHOLARSHIP NEWS: Janet Clayton, Children's Librarian at the Great Falls Public Library, has been awarded a \$5,000 scholarship by the State Library Commission. Mrs. Clayton plans to attend library school at the University of Minnesota.

CHICAGO IS THE SCENE of a national conference on library statistics, June 6-8, conducted by the American Library Association. Mrs. Ruth Longworth is attending from Montana.

A NEW MEMBER of the Montana State University Library staff in Bozeman, Mrs. Richard Mackin, joins the Reference Department in June. Mrs. Mackin is a graduate of the University of Toronto, and has worked in the Toronto Public Library.

OUR FIRST LADY chairman to head the State Committee of National Library Week is Mrs. Leo Graybill, who has been appointed for next year. Mrs. Graybill has served as a member of the State Library Commission, chairman of the Great Falls Public Library Board, and has long been active in MLA and as a friend of Libraries in Montana.

A TIME BOX was placed behind the cornerstone of the new Glasgow City-County Library at the dedication May 29th, continuing a tradition that started with the dedication of the Carnegie Library in Glasgow in 1908 when a lead box containing newspapers and other material was placed behind the cornerstone. The new time box contained a tape recording of the dedication program, plus other pertinent material. Glasgow residents and visitors turning out for the dedication heard Mr. Maurice Graham, Library Board Chairman, Mr. W. L. Holter, Mayor, and Mrs. Ruth Longworth, State Librarian speak at the ceremonies.

WYOMING STATE LIBRARY is conducting a workshop on work simplification in libraries at DuBois during the week of June 12th, and Montanans attending will be: Beatrice Eigher and Helen Anderson, Great Falls Public Library; Inez Herrig, Lincoln County Free Library, Libby; Clare Smith, Carnegie Public Library, Miles City; Virginia Ekstrom, Parmly Billings Memorial Library, Billings; Perl Coombs, Montana State Library Consultant, Glendive; and Barbara Houghton and Alene Cooper, Montana State Library, Helena.

GOTHAM IN JULY is where the action is. The annual American Library Association Conference will be held in New York from July 10th to July 17th.



HONORABLE MENTION goes to the Great Falls Public Library for their 1965 scrapbook from the John Colton Dana Publicity Awards Contest. The citation reads: Honorable Mention for conducting an intensive informational campaign requiring sustained effort by 400 volunteers and resulting in community commitment to the concept of a new building. The awards will be presented during the American Library Association conference in New York on July 11th.

THE LEGGAT COLLECTION has been acquired by Montana State University Library, Bozeman, according to Miss Lesley Heathcote, Director of Libraries. This outstanding collection includes about 7,000 pamphlets, government documents, maps and unpublished manuscripts. One of the treasures of the collection is the accumulation of editions of the Lewis and Clark Journals, the earliest of which is dated 1807, and there are also many first editions of familiar Montana books and copies of early editions of various newspapers and journals.

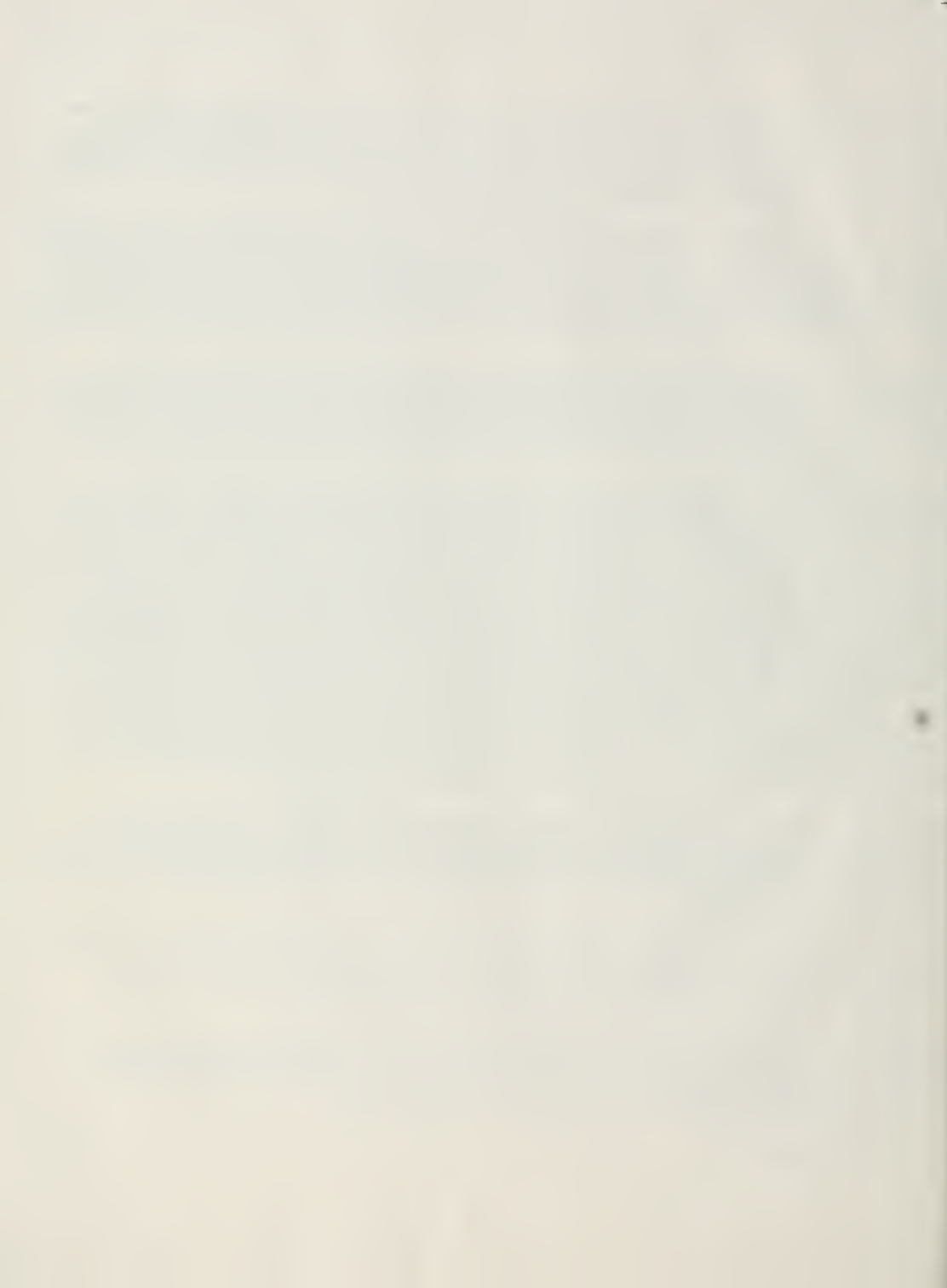
NEW OFFICERS for the Montana Student Librarians Association, who were elected at the Association's convention in Missoula, are: President - Patty Conner, Great Falls Central High School; Vice President - Jan Pettit, Cascade High School, Cascade; Secretary - Diana Sanderson, Cascade High School, Cascade; Treasurer - Stephanie Drummond, Missoula Sentinel High School; Historian - Linda Armon, Fort Benton.

MONTANIANA: Montana and the Sky by Frank W. Wiley has been published by Holden Publishing, Minneapolis and is distributed by the Montana Historical Society, Helena, priced at \$10 for the Deluxe Standard Edition and \$50 for the Rare Collectors Edition. This is a history of the beginnings of aviation in the West. Elizabeth by Ruth Painter Randall, published by Little Brown & Co. for \$4.50 is a Juvenile Title biography of the girl who married General Custer. A new edition of Good Medicine - illustrated letters of Charles M. Russell, by Charles Russell with an introduction by Will Rogers has been published by Doubleday, Garden City, New York for \$12.50. The Compact History of the Indian Wars by John Tebbel, published by Hawthorn Books, Inc., New York at \$5.95 is a history of 300 years of wilderness conflicts starting with the first encounter of John Smith with Chief Powhatan in 1607 to the last uprising of Sitting Bull and the Sioux at Wounded Knee in 1890. Mrs. Esther Turner has had Sketch of the Venetian Republic printed as a memorial to her husband, Mr. Ray Turner, who wrote the book in the 1950's. Mr. Turner was a resident of Conrad for many years. Tiny makes a Promise by Merle T. Lien, Exposition Press, New York for \$4.00 is a children's book of photographs and text about a dachshund and a Siamese cat. The author was born in Scobey, graduated from the University of Montana, and presently lives in San Diego.

GO! GO! GO! VACATION READERS GO EVERYWHERE is the slogan for the Children's Book Council's annual Vacation Reading Program. To encourage leisure-time reading, the Council has prepared display and promotion materials for use in schools and libraries or by vacation reading clubs which can be ordered from: The Children's Book Council, Inc., 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10010.

PULITZER PRIZES for 1965 have been awarded for Fiction - The Collected Stories of Katherine Anne Porter; History - The Life of the Mind in America: From the Revolution to the Civil War by Perry Miller; Biography - A Thousand Days: John F. Kennedy in the White House by Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr.; Poetry - Selected Poems (1930-1965) by Richard Eberhart.

RASCAL by Sterling North has won the Young Reader's Choice Award for 1966. New Young Reader's Choice Award bookmarks are being prepared and they will sell for \$1.50 per 100 and the seals for \$1.00 per 36. Write to Evalyn F. Morris, Chairman, Division of work with children and young people; PNLA; Oregon State Library, Salem, Oregon, 97316.





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"BOOKS PLEASE" is the slogan for National Children's Book Week (October 30 - November 5, 1966). To encourage children to read during Book Week and the rest of the year, too, the Children's Book Council, which is headquarters for Book Week, has prepared posters, bookmarks, streamers, mobiles, and Book Week kits. The deadline for ordering Book Week materials is October 1st and the order form is available free upon request from: The Children's Book Council, Inc., 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10010.

DEADLINE for Public Libraries Statistics covering 1965-66 is September 1st. If your report hasn't been sent in yet, please complete it and mail it to the State Library immediately.

CHANGE OF NAME: The Library Technology Project has become the Library Technology Program. LTP continues with the initials by which it has become known, but drops the temporary connotation of "project". LTP is now a permanent part of ALA.

NEW ALA COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED: Robert Vosper, past President of ALA, has announced a Joint Committee on National Library and Information Systems (CONLIS). Gordon Williams, Director of the Center for Research Libraries in Chicago, has been elected chairman of CONLIS, which is responsible for drafting a program directed toward improvement of the access and availability of information through national systems of libraries and information centers and for continuing advice and liaison with appropriate federal and other bodies.

DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER AWARDS TERMINATED: Axel G. Rosin, President of Book-of-the-Month Club, has announced that the awards will no longer be given. During the eight years the awards were granted, 138 small libraries received awards totaling \$186,000, and Montana's four winning libraries were Conrad, Libby, Miles City and Whitefish.

THE DESIGN OF THE SMALL PUBLIC LIBRARY is an excellent guide for small libraries which serve populations under 10,000 and have limited budgets for building programs. The book, written by Rolf Myller, a New York architect, is a excellent guide which discusses each factor in the planning of the building. It is published by R.R. Bowker Co., priced at \$10.

OFFICE FOR LIBRARY EDUCATION will be established by the ALA on September 1, 1966 with Dr. Lester E. Asheim becoming Director. This office will be concerned with broad problems in library education, and will aid in carrying out and advancing programs of the Association and its member-ship units in the field of library education.

NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK has been proclaimed by the President of the United States. It will take place October 2-8 inclusive. Material for display can be obtained from: Larry K. Volin, Secretary, Library Committee, The President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, Washington, D.C. 20210.

ALA MEMBERSHIP DAY is to be observed annually on the third Tuesday of October the ALA Membership Committee has announced. October 18th is the date for 1966, and brochures, applications, posters, bookmarks and table tents may be requested free of charge from the ALA Membership Promotion Office, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

MONTANANS IN PORTLAND for the 56th Conference of the Pacific Northwest Library Association held August 23-26th report an excellent program and beautiful weather for the Conference. Twelve attended from Montana.

LIBRARIANS MISSING FROM THE SCENE this fall will be Mrs. Ted Estes at the Moore Public Library who is resigning, Dorothy Gelhaus at Western Montana College and Mrs. Mary Watters at Powder River County Library who are retiring. Mrs. Glen Mason will be replacing Mrs. Estes in Moore.

MONTANIANA: Harold Stearns's book, History of the upper Musselshell valley, which was originally written as a masters thesis, can be obtained from the Times-Clarion in Harlowton at \$6.50 per copy including mailing. The battle of the Little Big-Horn by Mari Sandoz has been published by J.B. Lippincott Company at \$4.50. The story of William Henry Jackson, early photographer and explorer of the west whose photography helped convince Congress that the Yellowstone region should become the first national park, is told in Lens on the west by Helen Markley Miller. The publisher is Doubleday and Co., Inc. and the price is \$3.95. William H. Goetzmann has written an over-all account of the exploration of the west in all its major phases which reveals the impact of it on the whole of American culture. Exploration and empire is the title and it is published by Alfred A. Knopf for \$10. World explorers Lewis and Clark is a juvenile history of the Lewis and Clark expedition by Elizabeth Rider Montgomery, published by the Garrard Publishing Co., priced at \$2.19. The war of the copper kings, originally published in 1935 and out of print for many years, is now available from Grosset, priced at \$3.95. A juvenile history of the west, Men who opened the west, by Wyatt Blassingame and Richard Glendinning, has been published by G. P. Putnam's for \$3.29. An account of the 1st Special Service Force trained at Fort Harrison in Helena has been written by Robert H. Adleman and Col. George Walton entitled The devil's brigade. The publisher is Chilton Books, a division of Chilton Co. Publishers, and the price is \$4.95. The David McKay Company, Inc., New York, has published Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks edited by Robert Scharff with the cooperation of the National Park Service. The useful handbook, which sells for \$3.95, presents the natural and human history of the two parks and their spectacular topographic and geologic features. Rivers to cross, a collection of stories by Western Writers of America, contains a story, The cruise of the Prairie Queen, by D.D. Beauchamp, formerly of Helena. This collection is published by Dodd Mead & Co. for \$3.50. A book of verse entitled Prairie sing-songs may be purchased from the author, Mrs. Ralph Lovelace, Colestrip, Montana for \$2. Old coins of the Sweet Grass Hills by Charles Warner has been published by the Thomas Printing Co. This is available from the author, Box 414, Columbia Falls, Montana for \$2.75. The first in a series of Montana tax studies, A primer on state and local taxation, has been prepared by John H. Wicks, Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Montana, and is available from the Montana Legislative Council, State Capitol, Helena for \$1.25. Montana - The Magazine of Western History features Lewis and Clark in the summer issue. Of a special interest is the introductory essay by Helen Bennett West of Cut Bank entitled Our national epic.

READ WITH CARE: All libraries in Montana will receive the brochure, Count on Complaints . . . To Improve Public Service, published by the Library Administration Division of ALA.

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WASHINGTON VIP, Dorothy Kittel, visited the State Library in September. Miss Kittel, Library Extension Specialist, Library Services Branch, Office of Education, discussed the expanded Library Services and Construction Act, especially the new Title III which provides for Interlibrary Cooperation and Title IV - Part A - State Institutional Library Services and Part B - Library Services to the Physically Handicapped.

PH. D'S FOR LIBRARIANS: Rutgers University is offering six fellowships for doctoral study in the Graduate School of Library Services under a grant from the U.S. Office of Education. Further information may be obtained from: Dean, Graduate School of Library Service, Rutgers, the State University, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08903.

THE WHITEFISH LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES wishes to make the following announcement: The Board will receive letters of application from persons wishing to be considered for placement on a file of qualified applicants for the position of Whitefish City Librarian, when an opening occurs. Qualified applicants will need some business administrative ability and be willing to complete "Small Library Administration" home study course under the State Library Director. Letters (in your own handwriting) stating qualifications should be sent to the Whitefish Library Board of Trustees, Whitefish Public Library, Whitefish, Montana 59937.

A NEW BOOK SELECTION TOOL is ALA's BOOKS FOR CHILDREN 1960-1965 and BOOKS FOR CHILDREN 1965-1966. These are available as the result of requests by school administrators, teachers and librarians to assist in the selection and purchase of library materials with ESEA and NDEA funds. These volumes provide descriptive evaluations plus ordering information for the children's books selected, listed and recommended for purchase by THE BOOKLIST from September 1960 through August 1966.

BACK IN COLOR: The freckle-faced little cowboy by Stan Lynde, who created such enthusiasm for National Library Week in Montana last year, will be the motif again this year. The drawing will be reproduced in color. Big plans for National Library Week, 1967 are now under way.

NEW FACES ON THE LIBRARY SCENE: Robert Hamill is the new librarian at Western Montana College, Father Frank J. Domitrovich is now serving as librarian at Carroll College and Mrs. Tom Williams has replaced Mrs. Mary Watters as librarian at the Powder River County Library in Broadus.

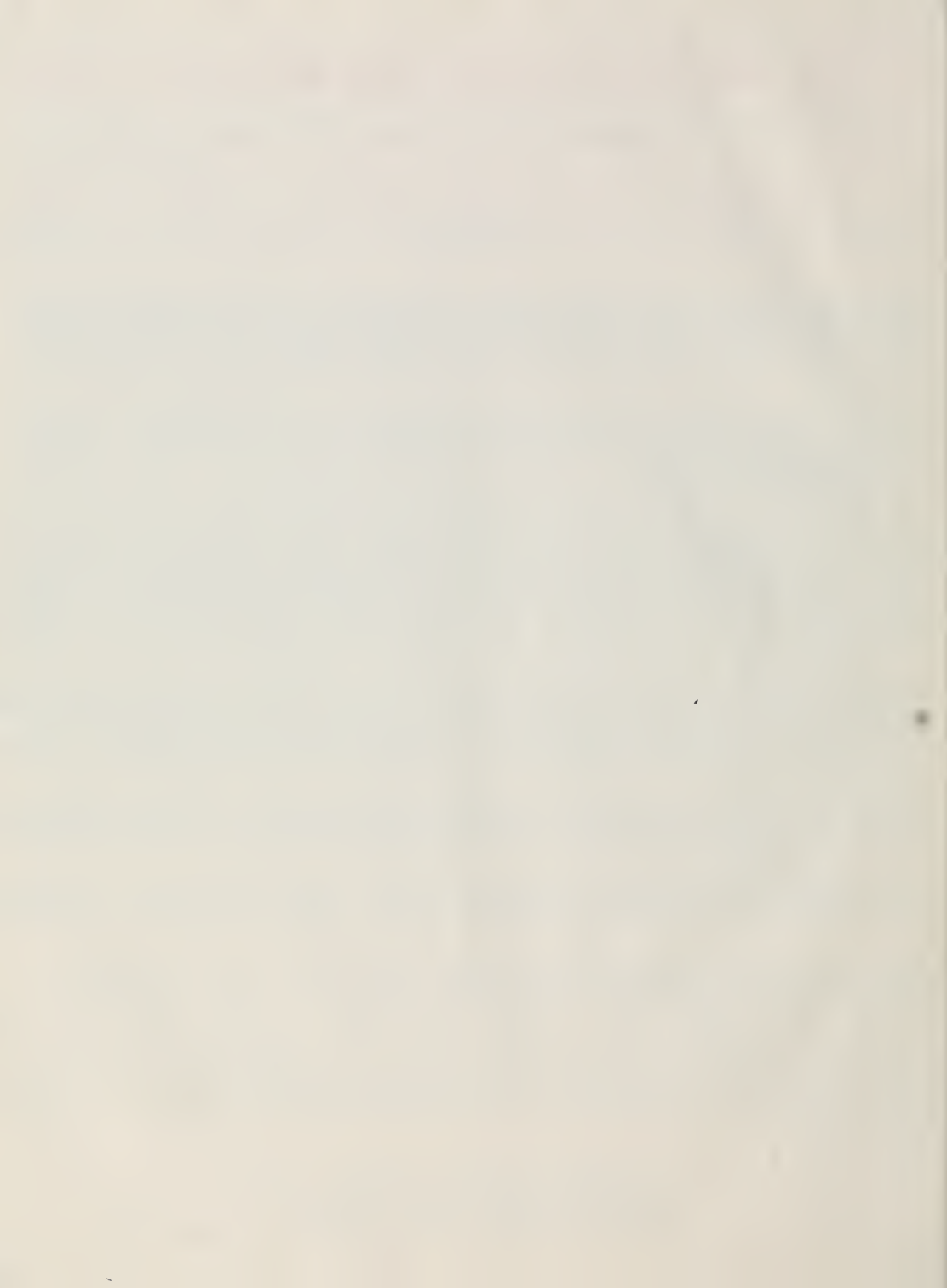
MONTANIANA: The letters of George Catlin and his family by Marjorie Catlin Roehm has been published by the University of California Press at \$8.50. The nearly 200 recently discovered personal letters by members of the Catlin family are used as the basis for recounting the fortunes of the family. The Naylor Co., San Antonio, Texas is the publisher of Custer fell first compiled and edited by J. C. Ryan. This account from the papers of John C. Lockwood, a civilian scout who witnessed the Custer battle, is priced at \$3.95. Ella E. Clark is the author of Indian legends from the Northern Rockies, University of Oklahoma Press, \$6.95. This is Volume 82 in The civilization of the American Indian series which includes myths, legends and personal narratives of the twelve tribes of Indians that have lived in Idaho, Montana and Wyoming.

FALL DATES TO NOTE

National Newspaper Week - October 9-15, 1966

ALA Membership Day - October 18, 1966

National Children's Book Week - October 30-November 5, 1966





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LSCA SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION in the amount of \$76 million cleared Congress on October 22nd and is awaiting the President's signature. This will provide full funding under the new Act for Titles I and II and money for planning for the new Titles III and IV. Montana will receive \$210,332 for Title I, Services; \$212,807 for Title II, Construction; \$7,075 for Title III, Interlibrary Cooperation; \$7,075 for Title IV-A, Services to Institutions; and \$4,737 for Title IV-B, Services to the Physically Handicapped.

BOOK SELECTION FOR YOUR LIBRARY, better ways to better service and the use of posters to brighten the library will be some of the topics discussed at the Big Sky Federation workshop for member librarians to be held in Dillon, November 1st. The workshop will be conducted by Roger Spillers, Coordinator, and Thyra Clay, State Library. Also attending from the State Library will be Ruth Longworth, Margaret Camm and Alene Cooper.

BOOKS, GAMES, RECORDS and display material for children of all ages are available from UNICEF. Order forms and material can be obtained from: U.S. Committee for UNICEF, P.O. Box 1618, Church Street Station, New York, N.Y. 10008. Christmas cards may also be ordered from the same address. The State Library will have a kit of some of this material.

SCHOOL LIBRARIANS AND PUBLIC LIBRARIANS will meet together in a series of workshops conducted by the Department of Public Instruction. These workshops are possible through the Library Development Program of the American Association of School Libraries. Miss Eleanor Ahlers, Associate Professor in the School of Librarianship at the University of Washington will be the main speaker. The first two meetings were held in Billings and Wolf Point on October 27th and 28th. The third will be held in Great Falls on November 17th, followed by the fourth in Missoula on November 18th.

MARGARET WARDEN, CHAIRMAN OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE of the Montana Library Association recently visited the State Library to discuss the legislative program. She has asked us to announce that Shirley Hake, Librarian, Parmly Billings Memorial Library, will serve as her co-chairman. You will be hearing soon from these ladies who are making big plans for the forthcoming session of the legislature.

MONTANIANA: Piegan by Richard Lancaster has been published by Doubleday & Company, Inc. for \$4.95. James White Calf, chief of the Piegan tribe of the Blackfoot nation, narrates an account of life on the western plains during the latter half of the nineteenth century - his battles with other Indian tribes, the great hunts and the time of privation. Robert E. Miller has written a history of the first 100 years of the Masonic Lodge in Montana entitled The hands of the workmen. It has been printed by State Publishing Co., Helena. A photo history of Aldridge by Bill and Doris Whithorn is the story of the little coal mining town of Aldridge at the turn of the century. It can be purchased for \$8.50 from Doris Whithorn, Pray, Montana.

NOVEMBER DATES TO NOTE

National Children's Book Week - October 30 - Nov. 5, 1966

American Education Week - November 6 - 13, 1966

Latin American Week - November 20 - 26, 1966

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